



2009-10

New Smith College Core Requirements

Candidates for a **single major undergraduate baccalaureate degree must complete the following requirements:

- Complete a total of at least 125 credit hours with no fewer than 30 semester hours of upper level courses.
- No more than four (4) credit hours of activity courses in Kinesiology will count towards the 125 requirement.
- Complete at least 54 credit hours of Smith College Requirements.
- Each major may have its own prescribed Smith College Core Requirements. Please see your advisor in your major.
- Complete graduation proficiencies(see other side). Students should complete proficiencies before they file a degree plan.
- Complete 36 credit hours in residency at HBU including at least 12 advanced credit hours (3000 or 4000) in the major.
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 with no grade below "C" in courses required for the major or proficiency.
- Once admitted to HBU, receive prior approval for any courses taken at another college. Student can only transfer up to 18 credit hours once they have matriculated at HBU.
- File a degree plan with the Registrar's Office before 64 credit hours have been completed.
- File a graduation application at least two (2) semesters before the anticipated date of graduation.

***Students completing a double major should consult 2008-09 HBU catalog and see their advisor for detailed requirements.*

CHRISTIANITY 9 hours (3 courses)

- CHRI 1313 Old Testament
 CHRI 1323 New Testament

Choose 3 hours from:

- CHRI 2333 Christian Doctrine
 CHRI 2343 Christian Ethics
 CHRI 2353 Christianity & the World Religions
 CHRI 2363 Christianity & the Western Philosophical Tradition

SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES 9 hours from three areas for BA (3 courses) 6 hours from two areas for BS (2 courses)

Choose from any of the following:

- Economics (any lower division course)
 Intro. To Government **or** American & Texas Gov.
 Psychology
 Sociology
 GEOG 3302, World Geography

COMMUNICATIONS 9 hours (3 courses)

- ENGL 1313 *Composition & Literature I* *
 ENGL 1323 *Composition & Literature II* *
 COMM 1323 *Rhetoric and Public Speaking**

FINE ARTS 3 hours (1 course)

Choose one from any of the following:

- ART 2343 Art Appreciation
 ART 3353 History of Art: Prehistoric through Gothic
 ART 3363 History of Art: Renaissance through Modern
 ART 3373 History of Modern Art
 MUHL 2312 Music Appreciation
 MUHL 2313 Music Literature (permission of instructor)
 MUHL 2323 Music Literature (permission of instructor)
 MUHL 3342 American Popular Music
 MUHL/CHRI 3371 Christian Worship & Music
 MUSC 3322 Survey of Early 20th Century Music

MATHEMATICS AND LABORATORY SCIENCE

7-11 hours total from both areas (2-3 courses)

- Mathematics/Statistics: Choose one from the following:
 ○ *MATH 1305 Math for Critical Thinking**
 ○ *MATH 1313 College Algebra* *
 ○ *Or a higher level Math**
 Lab Science:
 ○ 4 hours for BA
 ○ 8 hours for BS

KINESIOLOGY 2 Hours**

- KINE 2202 Creating a Wellness Lifestyle

*** Transfer students may transfer two (2) physical activity courses in substitution.*

**Course must be completed with a "C" or higher to meet proficiency.*

HUMANITIES

15 hours from at least three areas (5 courses)

Choose from any of the following:

- Foreign Language – 6 hours in same language
- History
- Literature
- Writing
- Philosophy:
 - PHIL 1313 Introduction to Philosophy
 - PHIL 3313 Logic
 - PHIL 3323 Ancient & Medieval Philosophy (Prerequisite: PHIL 1313)
 - PHIL 3344 Modern Contemporary Philosophy (Prerequisite: PHIL 1313)

Other Graduation Requirements

SKILL PROFICIENCY

Students must complete all proficiencies before they file a degree plan.

Skill Proficiency in oral communication, computer use, reading, written English, and mathematical competencies must be demonstrated as follows:

- Oral Communications:
 - **Complete HBU COMM 1323***
- Reading: One of the following:
 - SAT – a score of 550 or higher on verbal;
ACT – a minimum of 22 or higher on the Reading portion
 - THEA – 230 or higher
 - Pre-THEA sources – a score of 17 or better
- Written English: Writing Proficiency should be completed by third semester of enrollment at HBU.
One of the following:
 - Completed **ENGL 1313* & 1323*** at HBU.
 - Place out of ENGL 1313 and/or ENGL 1323 by Advanced Placement (AP) exam or CLEP scores, per HBU catalog.
 - Receipt of transfer credit for courses equivalent to **ENGL 1313* & 1323***
- Mathematics: One of the following:
 - **MATH 1305 ***
 - **MATH 1313***
 - **A higher level math course***
- Computer Use: One of the following:
 - Pass a computer proficiency exam available on Blackboard.
 - Complete HBU **CISM 1321***.
 - Receipt of transfer credit for a course equivalent to **CISM 1321***

* Course must be completed with a “C” or higher to meet proficiency.

FRESHMAN YEAR EXPERIENCE

- FYS 1100 – Freshman Year Seminar (freshmen only)*

This course is required of all students who enter with fewer than 15 semester hours credit

SPIRITUAL LIFE

80 community Life and Worship (CLW) credits by graduation.

Spiritual Life seeks to foster Christian community life and worship by creating experiences for students, faculty, and staff in spiritual formation that will support the integration of faith and learning.

- All students seeking their undergraduate degree from HBU must earn 80 total credits during their college career to qualify for graduation.*
- See Community Life and Worship magazine, Student Handbook or contact the Office of Spiritual Life for further clarification regarding this graduation requirement. Contact Spiritual Life Office at 281.649.3033.*
- Transfer students receive a 3/4 credit for every transfer hour.*
- The Associate Degree Nursing students are required to have 54 credits total.*
- Students may earn up to a maximum of 20 credits per semester to be accrued toward the total CLW credit requirement for graduation.*
- CLW credits are obtained by attending CLW events.*
- Students are required to sign-in or have their I.D. cards scanned to record their attendance. The Community Life and Worship magazine is available each semester in the Spiritual Life Department to give detailed information about the CLW events offered during that semester.*

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